

NEVADA DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE  
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## NOTICE OF MEETING

PUBLIC BODY: NEVADA STATE BOARD OF AGRICULTURE

TODAY'S DATE: May 12, 2003

MEETING TIME: **Monday, May 19, 2003, @ 9:00 AM**

PLACE: UNR COOPERATIVE EXTENSION  
Lindell Learning Center  
Room D  
2590 Lindell Street  
Las Vegas, Nevada

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Don Henderson, Acting Director

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### REVISED AGENDA

The following items will be discussed and acted upon but may be taken in different order to accommodate the interests and time limitations of persons attending:

Call to Order by Chairman Benny Romero

1. Board Business

A. Welcome and Overview Statements - Dixie Allsbrook, S. Area  
Director, UNR Cooperative Extension (**INFORMATION**)

B.\* Approval of Minutes (Osborne) (**ACTION**)

C. Special Reports

1) Reed Vapor Pressure and the 38<sup>th</sup> Parallel - Vernon Miller  
(**INFORMATON**)

2) Sustainable Landscapes - Tom Jaszewski, Director, Mirage  
Horticulture (**INFORMATION**)

D.\* Goals and Objectives (**ACTION**)

2. Acting Director's Report (Henderson)

A.\* Status Review for Department Bills (**INFORMATION**)

B. Review of other Bills Impacting Department or Agriculture-Related  
Industries (**INFORMATION**)

C. \* Department Activities Relating to Board Goals and Objectives  
(**INFORMATION**)

D. Department Activities Relating to Complaints filed by the Livestock  
Association and the Nevada Committee for Full Statehood. (**ACTION**)

3. Division of Animal Industry (Thain)

A. \*Disease Update (**INFORMATION**)

- 1) \* Exotic Newcastle Disease
  - 2) Brucellosis - Greater Yellowstone Area  
GYIBC meeting update
  - 3) Tuberculosis update
    - a. California downgrade
    - b. \*Current testing requirements
  - 4) West Nile Virus
    - a. Public Service Announcement
    - b. Department Response
  - 5) Chronic Wasting Disease
- B. Homeland Security (**INFORMATION**)
- 1) Public Service Announcements
  - 2) Ongoing outreach
- C. Virginia Range Estray Horse Program Update (**INFORMATION**)
- 1) \* Reproductive trial and grant submission
- D. Laboratory Update (Rink) (**INFORMATION**)
- 1) Exotic Newcastle Disease
  - 2) Tuberculosis
    - a. Gamma Interferon
    - b. DNA "fingerprinting"
  - 3) Sheep "Scrapie" genetic testing
  - 4) Large animal necropsy facility at UNR
  - 5) Short term goals
  - 6) Medium and long term goals
4. Division of Livestock Identification (Connelley)
- A. Report and update - Brands (**INFORMATION**)
- B. Report on Dann's vs. BLM - (**INFORMATION**)
- C. Report On Ag Enforcement - (**INFORMATION**)
5. Division of Measurement Standards (Grabski)
- A. \*Appreciation letter from Greyhound Expedition Service for David Armstrong and Karen LeMaster (**INFORMATION**)
- B. \*Year to End of March Inspection Status Report (**INFORMATION**)
- C. \*Year to End of March Petroleum Sampling Report (**INFORMATION**)
6. Division of Plant Industry (Gronowski)
- A. Administrator's report (**INFORMATION**)
7. Program Cluster Reports
- A. Entomology (Knight)
- 1) Overview on Programs and Plans to Control Crickets and Grasshoppers this Spring (**INFORMATION**)
- B. Environmental Compliance (Moses)
- 1)\* Request permission to adopt temporary amendment of NAC 586 (T027-03) pertaining to the listing of strychnine and its salts as state restricted-use pesticides for distribution by licensed pesticide dealers and for use by applicators only. (**ACTION**)
  - 2)\* FY 2003 2<sup>ND</sup> quarter Report (**INFORMATION**)

- 3) Report on Pest Control Regulation Workshops held on May 9 in Las Vegas, and May 12 in Reno. (Lawrence) **(INFORMATION)**

C. Crop Science (Bradley)

- 1)\* Request permission to adopt temporary amendment of NAC 587 pertaining to the fee schedule for seed testing and seed certification and other minor changes in the seed certification procedures. **(ACTION)**
- 2) Request approval for the Alfalfa Seed Advisory Board for the reappointment of members with terms expiring on June 30, 2003. The new terms will run from July 1, 2003, to June 30, 2005. The Members are:

Walter Brinkerhoff - Pershing County  
Dan Hetrick - Humboldt County  
Rod Diede - Dealer Representative  
**(ACTION)**

- 3)\* Approval for funding needed for research project submitted by Lindsey DuToit, Washington State University, on botrytis neck rot Of onions. This funding is for a Nevada contribution for work already in progress and will continue through 2003. The amount requested for 2003 is \$5,000.00. **(ACTION)**
- 4)\* Approval for funding for research proposal by Dr. Mike Davis, University of California, Davis, titled "Evaluation of Chemical and Biological Control Agents for the Control of Neck Rot, Sour Skin, and Thrips on Onions". The amount requested for 2003 is \$29,270.00. **(ACTION)**

D. Las Vegas Office (Smigel)

- 1) \* Request permission to adopt temporary amendment of NAC 555.805 pertaining to the interior quarantine against Africanized honeybees. **(ACTION)**
- 2) \* Report of the Las Vegas Office **(INFORMATION)**

8. Board Discussion on the Passing of Director Iverson and Filling of Position Vacancy. **(ACTION)**
9. Personnel Session (Closed to the Public)
10. Public Comments **(INFORMATION)**
11. Travel Claims and Salary **(INFORMATION)**
12. Date and Arrangements for Next Meeting **(ACTION)**
13. Adjournment **(ACTION)**

Anyone desiring further information or explanation of the above agenda items may call Connie Rosecrans at (775) 688-1180 during the hours of 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.  
(\* denotes supporting documents in the board packet)

**(ACTION)** indicates that the Board needs to take action on an item. Please note what action is needed by the Board on your action items. **(INFORMATION)** indicates an information item for the Board. Because of time constraints, please limit presentations to no more than 15 minutes. Make sure that ACTION items have accompanying information for the "Board" to look at.

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